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Drug Enforcement Administration
FOI/Records Management Section
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Subject: Documents generated as part of the creation of the FOIA office, etc.

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Dear Ms. Best:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request dated May 21, 2019, addressed to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Unit, seeking access to information regarding the above subject.

Please be advised, records that might have been responsive to your request were destroyed, pursuant to the agency's record retention and disposition schedules approved by the National Archives and Records Administration.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 202-307-7596 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following website: <https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions regarding this letter, you may contact Government Information Specialist Gary L. Spray at 202-307-6035.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Angela D. Hertel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Angela D. Hertel, Acting Chief
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